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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman House Committee on Appropriations H-305, the Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth HOB Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for University of South Florida Forest Preserve Environmental and Conservation Outreach in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the University of South Florida, located at 4202 E. Fowler Avenue, Tampa, FL 33620. The funding would be used for the building of a Research and Education Facility.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would help support sustainability and ecology research and education, thereby increasing awareness and protection of central Florida's natural resources and biodiversity.

This project has a Federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized by the Soil Conservation and Allotment Domestic Act of 1935, 16 U.S. Code sections 590a-590d and 590f-g.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Laurel M. Lee

Member of Congress